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1. Japanese Unexamined Patent Publication No. 10-65670, published March 6, 1998. (This reference was previously submitted to the PTO with an IDS dated June 3, 1999.)
2. Suzuki et al., "Development of Host Digital Terminal", *Proceedings of the 1997 IEICE General Conference B-8-76*, March 24-27, 1997, p. 462.
3. Terasaki et al., "ATM Concentration System", *Proceedings of the 1996 IEICE General Conference B-1004*, March 28-31, 1996, p. 436.
4. Sugiyama et al., "Software of Management Operation and Information Conversion for EDI-based Customer Network Management", *Proceedings of the 1997 IEICE General Conference B-7-18*, March 24-27, 1997, p. 146.

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5. Fujita et al., "Broadband Access System", *NEC Technical Journal*, Vol. 51, No. 8, August 25, 1998, pp. 92-98.
6. Japanese Laid-Open Patent Publication No. 10-126447, published May 15, 1998.
7. Japanese Laid-Open Patent Publication No. 11-331238, published November 30, 1999.

One copy of each of the listed documents (excluding Reference 1 above) is submitted herewith.

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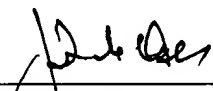
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